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Washington's Sunday Football
Meets With Success From Start

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Robert Lindley Murray Leads
Country's Tennis Performers

There Is No Rest for a Hero

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SUNDAY FOOTBALL HERE SUCCESSFUL FROM START

Today's football game between the Quantico Marines and Naval Gun Factory eleven will probably mark the end of a most successful Sunday football campaign. Barring bad weather the game is calculated to draw out many of the faithful fans who have stood by the Sunday proposition with a will. The Marines come well prepared. The champion Naval Gun Factory eleven is expecting to keep its record clear. The Gunners have lost no games this season.

Those who remember the trials and tribulations of one Joe Oliveri getting Sunday football started here are well aware that the old diligent pilot went through all sorts of physical and mental gymnastics to get the game on its feet. Oliveri succeeded, maintaining always that Sunday sport here, if conducted in the right way, would be a winner.

The past season has demonstrated that there is a large following ready at all times on Sunday to take in a game. Whenever the Naval Gun Factory has appeared its cohorts have flocked to its support. The Gunners have repaid their navy yard backers with several first class performances.

Service League Opens. Despite the lateness of starting, owing to the epidemic of Spanish influenza here and the fact that many of the teams were quarantined even after the ban on the flu was lifted, the Service League opened up for Sunday football with small chances of success.

It was only toward the last of the season that the fans got on edge. The game came out in numbers. Sunday football has made good here, and it is expected that next season, with no untoward influence, the battles will be started early and continued until late.

The class of football offered was as good as that seen in the usual college games. Some of the best players in the country have made an appearance at American League Park this fall and have upheld their reputations.

Folds Out Promise. The auspicious start made here this year, under adverse circumstances, has given promise of a banner year for the grid game in 1919. The schools and colleges will get a regular start under more normal conditions. Midweek games and week-end games for the scholastic and collegiate teams will fill up the sport card to perfection, according to those who have followed the battles.

The possibilities of Sunday football have been tried out successfully and those in charge of the games see no reason why 1919 independent football days cannot be numbered among the best ever seen here.

Naval Gunners Start. Throughout the season the play of the Naval Gun Factory has been the outstanding feature of the season. They have not lost a game in their class, have been scored upon but once, and appear to have developed a punch that many a college team would envy.

With this year's experience, the Gunners intend to stick together for another campaign next year. Their efforts have stimulated still another team at the Navy Yard, and it is expected that several independent teams will be out for glory next season.

Sunday football appears to be the medium for drawing out many who would be unable to see games during the week. Sunday baseball has been popularized here both in professional and amateur ranks and the football proposition, still in its infancy, seems to be a regular thing for 1919.

E. Waldorf and Ed Fridinger are returning to Eastern after some interesting work in the naval flying corps. Both have played baseball, football, and basketball for Eastern last season.

Jim Duffy, one of Gonzaga's best floor players, is a brother of the Duffy who made such a good record at Gonzaga two years ago. He appears to be just as good as his brother though not quite as large.

St. Albans, under Coach Henderson, is looking games for after the holidays. The St. Albans five will be up to standard with a few good work-outs against other teams.

Coach Dorman, of Business, is starting teams going in basketball. Members of the first team will take over the coaching of several section teams after the first of the year.

Freshmen basketball teams are developing a brand of teamwork that will shortly put the first teams to shame. The Tech players appear to be well versed in passing, although their shooting is somewhat weak at present.

PLAY NEXT MONTH. The annual golf tournament of the Advertising Men's Association will be held at Pinehurst the third week in January, with a foursome played on the Saturday preceding.

He Didn't Go Over, But He Landed His Helmet



Here you see Clark C. Griffith sporting the helmet of some unknown German soldier. The trophy was sent to him by Capt. F. W. Jordan, 312th Machine Gun Battalion, of the Seventy-ninth Division. This division trained at Camp Meade, and Captain Jordan promised Griffith a helmet. And here it is.

GEORGE WHITTED MAY BE TRADED TO CHICAGO CUBS

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—George Whitted, crack left fielder, of the Phillies, is likely to be coveting in the market for the champion Cubs next season, say rumors here. Nothing official will be said until the deal is completed. Leslie Mann is thinking of retiring from baseball. This will leave left field for Whitted, with Packer in center and Max Flack in right.

Whitted does not want to play with the Phillies and is said to have notified President Baker to this effect.

LOOKING FOR REAL FIND. HE DISCOVERED J. EVANS

Little Joe Evans, who seems destined to do big things at third base, came to the Indians by mere chance.

The Cleveland club was tipped off to a Southern college infielder named Cargyle. A scout was sent on a tour of the Southern colleges to give the much-touted Cargyle the once-over.

He failed to locate Cargyle, but discovered Joe Evans, comparatively unknown.

He wired he had made a find and was notified to get him.

Thus Cleveland got a most valuable ball player.

MURRAY IS FIRST AMONG TENNIS MEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Robert Lindley Murray, southern meteor, formerly of California, but now of Niagara Falls, N. Y., is ranked at the head of America's war-time tennis players in the first list of ratings made public by the United States National Lawn Tennis Association since the fall of 1918. Equally prominent with Murray, with the exception of the fact that he is ranked number two in the first class, is William T. Tilden, Jr., of Philadelphia. The difference between the records of these players was so slight that the ranking committee did not separate them.

No Pacific Coast player who did not take part in Eastern tournaments was given ranking, owing to a request by the California Lawn Tennis Association.

There were 124 ranking players, divided into sixteen classes, a new departure in ranking players. Originally the list of players was divided into classes of ten each. This year players of approximately the same ability were ranked in the same class, one instance being the ranking of Murray and Tilden, each of whom was ranked in the first class. Paul W. Gibbons, of Philadelphia, one member of the committee, filed a minority report, asserting the belief that Tilden should have been ranked first instead of second.

Alexander Follies. Corresponding to the old-time first ten players, and following the two leaders are placed: Second class, Frederick B. Alexander, New York; third class, Walter Merrill Hall, New York; William T. Hayes, Chicago; Nathan W. Niles, Boston; fourth class, Ichihya Kumagata, New York; Charles S. Garland, Pittsburgh; S. Howard Voshell, Brooklyn; and Theodore Roosevelt Pell, New York.

R. H. Burdick, Chicago, heads class 5; Lyle E. Mahan, New York, heads class 6; Elliott Binzen, New York, class 7; Theodore Drews, St. Louis, class 8; H. H. Hodge, Buffalo, class 9; P. R. Hawk, Philadelphia, class 10; Dr. W. L. Rosenbaum, New York, class 11; H. B. O'Boyle, Pelham Naval Training Station, class 12; J. McGee, St. Paul, Minn., class 13; Penimore Cady, Cour d'Alene, Idaho, class 14; W. T. Knight, Minneapolis, class 15; W. H. Benedict, Belmar, N. J., class 16; H. R. Hathaway, New York, class 17; Herman Dornheim, Philadelphia, class 18; Cecil Donaldson, Brooklyn, class 19.

Harold Throckmorton, former junior champion, was ranked eighteenth, landing in class 6.

Molla Placed First. In ranking Miss Molla Bjurstedt, best of the women players, the committee expressed regret that at least two prominent women players of California were not rated because of the request of the California Association. The players were not named. In addition to Miss Bjurstedt, the first ten women included:

Mrs. George Wightman, Boston; Miss Eleanor Goss, New York; Mrs. Stuart Green, Tarrytown, N. Y.; Miss Marie Wagner, New York; Miss Carrie Keel, Chicago; Miss Helen Follis, New York; Miss Clara Cassel, New York; Miss Eleanor Sears, Boston; Mrs. Jack Ramson (Adelaide Year), Los Angeles, in the order named. Class 11 also includes Miss Florence Ballin, New York; Miss Margaret Chesney, Phoenix, Ariz.; Miss Corrin Gould, St. Louis; Miss Edith R. Handy, Tompkinsville, N. Y.; Miss Marion Leighton, Chicago; Mrs. Malcolm Macmillan, Chicago; Mrs. John Rogge, New York; Miss Catherine Waldo, Chicago; Miss Ruth Wile, Cleveland; Miss Marion Zinderstein, Boston.

W. T. Tilden and Vincent Richards were ranked at the top of the double team, and also included in Class 1 were Fred R. Alexander and Beals C. Wright, Nat Niles and T. R. Pell were also named in Class 2, with C. S. Garland and Samuel Hardy and William T. Hayes and R. H. Burdick in Class 1.

They're Booming Boats. Strong efforts are being made to legalize boxing in Illinois. The Chicago Tribune has given its editorial support to the project.

Signs With Giants. NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—J. C. (Kid) Gillespie, a promising semi-pro who attracted attention last fall when he attracted third base for the Giants on Sunday, has signed a 1919 contract with the Giants. It was announced today. Gillespie's signature was the first to be attached to a contract to play next season for John McGraw.

Syndicate Will Buy. LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 22.—A syndicate headed by Johnson N. Camden, former United States Senator, and Edward Sims, both multimillionaires, is expected to purchase the four race tracks in this State.

New York to See Penn. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—At least one big football game will be played here next season. Pennsylvania and Dartmouth will clash on the Polo Grounds.

LOOKING 'EM OVER

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER

It is noticeable that most of our major league clubs have reserved anywhere from thirty-five to fifty players for 1919. The New York Yankees alone have twenty-six pitchers from whom to choose a select class of about seven or eight. Owing to Uncle Sam's call to arms, most major league outfits have really two full-sized teams ready for the bell or the rattle of the tin can or something. But that's nothing at all when you consider reports from Y. M. C. A. and K. of C. folks who have been overseas. Wait till the real mob comes back. There'll be enough players for 10,000 leagues.

According to the Y. M. C. A. chapter there are approximately 10,000 catchers, 6,250 first basemen, 10,000 infielders, exclusive of first-sackers, 22,000 outfielders and 20,000 pitchers.

How did the "Y" find out this wonderful source of major leaguers? Oh, merely by tabulating the demands from the soldiers for outfits for the various positions, that's all.

The "Y" finds more than 95,000 ball players in France. About a thousand of them have played professionally, leaving 94,000 who play for fun. The K. of C. has yet to show its figures. Perhaps the K. of C. secretaries have another mob to offer to the magistrates.

No, they can't all be of major league caliber. But if there are 10,000 infielders in France, Clark Griffith ought not to have much trouble filling his second base vacancy. At least one unknown should equal the departed Ray Morgan.

They're Watching Him. Harry Frazee and Harry Rempstead are watching closely to see how Lloyd George handles the situation at Versailles. If he makes good, they will offer him the job of being a common national commission, according to report.

Hank Shanks' Job. In all this chatter of trades and releases, it is not expected that Manager Griffith will part with Hank Shanks, the sweet tenor from Monaca, Pa. Hank is such a versatile cove that he is almost a necessity.

Apart from his light hitting, Hank makes good wherever he is played. He can play all three outfield positions and at first base. He bowls before no other outfielder, not even Speaker, Cobb, Lewis, Felsch, or Veach, whom we consider the first five leading gardeners in that order. Hank is sure one event outfielder.

When anything goes wrong in the infield, there's Hank waiting to fill the hole. He has done good work at third base, fair work at short and he ousted Ray Morgan from his second base job with comparative ease.

It is unfortunate that Hank is not a .200 batsman, for he would play left field all the time, if he were, and that's where he shines most. Slow to get away, Hank beats out few slow ones, but his brains makes him a capable base runner, once he lands at first base. Indeed, no brainer a base runner now plays in the American League, though there are many with more speed.

Hank is a good influence with a ball club, as a pebble, he is always willing to give his best. He is aggressive to an extreme, though seldom running up against the umpire's base. In fact, some of the officials, like Tommy Connolly and Billy Evans, like to hear Hank rave; for he is so much in earnest.

Off the field Hank is a quiet, well-behaved, decent citizen. He plays baseball more because he likes it than for any other reason. He came to Washington in 1912, and since then has made hundreds of personal friends, while there isn't a fan at Georgia avenue who doesn't like to see and hear him in action.

He is the least utility man. That's why he'll probably stick with the Griffs.

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Getting Out Figures. President John A. Heydler will tomorrow begin getting out the official averages of the National League. They should be seen soon.

COMISKEY WILL ASK SINGLE GAME HEAD

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago American League club, is for the one-man commission idea and if he maintains the stand he now takes, arguments by him and some of his aides will be made for such a commission when the joint meeting of the leagues gathers in New York on January 16. Harry Frazee is also strong for the one-man idea and will support Comiskey should the latter make it an issue.

In his official statement asking that all selling and trading of players be abolished, Clark C. Griffith, the Washington magnate, placed himself on record as favoring a one-man national commission. He is expected to lend his strength to Comiskey.

COMISKEY WON'T DISCUSS CASES OF DRAFT DODGERS

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—South side fans are wondering just what Charlie Comiskey will do with Joe Jackson, Claud Williams, and Byrd Lynn, who quit the White Sox just before the army draft would have got them. He is on record as saying that they "would never play for his club again," but he now refuses to discuss their cases.

Cleveland is said to be after Jackson, but no offers are known for either Williams or Lynn. Williams is a first-class southpaw pitcher. Lynn is a second-string catcher.

TO BURY "SILK" O'LOUGHLIN FROM HOME IN ROCHESTER

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The body of Francis (Silk) O'Loughlin, American League umpire, known to every baseball enthusiast in the country, was taken yesterday to his home in Rochester, N. Y., where the funeral will take place.

O'Loughlin died Friday from pneumonia, which followed a severe case of influenza.

READY SIGNS PAPERS.

BETHLEHEM, Dec. 22.—Tom Keady, for the past six years successful on Lehigh's baseball and football teams, has signed his 1919 contract. Lehigh's future is bright, both on the diamond and gridiron.

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